

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 4, and 6 through 16 to read as follows:

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4. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the transverse tracks are formed by rotatable discs (40) which are disposed one after the other in rows and are rotatable about a horizontal shaft (42) and in the longitudinal direction of a transverse track.

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6. (Amended) Device according to claim 4, in which the underside of a carrier (14) between the rows of wheels (16) is provided with guides (44) for accommodating and guiding the rotatable discs (40).

7. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the carriers (14) are provided with spacers (46).

8. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the longitudinal paths (4, 6) are provided with blocking means (48) for retaining a carrier (14).

9. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, provided with a supply point (12) and removal point (10) for feeding in and removing containers (C) respectively.

10. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the supply point (12) and removal point (10) are situated at the same end of the longitudinal paths (4, 6) of the device.

11. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the supply point (12) and removal point (10) are situated at the end of the longitudinal paths (4, 6) where the height difference between them is minimal.

12. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which a detection system for detecting a unique code is present, which code (C_n) is placed on a holder (C).

13. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which each conveyance circuit (2) comprises two parallel longitudinal paths (4, 6), and each tier (32) comprises several conveyance circuits (2) disposed next to each other.

14. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, provided with a further conveyor, which moves along each supply and removal point (12, 10) of a conveyance circuit (2), and over which lifting means for conveying holders are disposed in a movable manner.

AM 15. (Amended) Device according to claim 1, in which the second predetermined number (M) of carriers (14) movable along the longitudinal paths and transverse tracks ^{is} equal to twice the first predetermined number (N) of holder positions of a longitudinal path (4, 6) adjoining each other, minus one.

16. (Amended) Container terminal provided with a device according to claim 1.

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